All India/States/UTs.	1998	1999	2000
Punjab	1946	2046	2127
Rajasthan	4648	4986	4472
Sikkim	12	26	24
Tamil Nadu	8510	8734	8269
Tripura	49	159	115
Uttaranchal	Figures included	in U.P.	415
Uttar Pradesh	7845	8015	6747
West Bengal	3028	3278	4068
A & N Islands	23	19	22
Chandigarh	125	129	118
D & N Haveli	37	34	30
Daman & Diu	17	17	17
Delhi	2065	1969	1918
Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil	Nil
Pondicherry	138	164	146
Total	57491(P)	67202(P)	66323(P)

N.A.=Not Available P=Provisional

States' share in toll

4648. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to collect toll from the vehicle users of all four-lane national highways, by-passes and major bridges;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount expected to yield; and

(d) whether a part of the toll would be given to the State Governments and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) and (b) Levy of user fee on four lane highways,

bypasses and bridges in proposed as under:

(i) Conversion of existing two lane National Highway Sections into four lane facility.

(ii) All bridges costing more than Rs. 100 lakh each completed and opened to traffic after 1st May, 1992 but before 4th December, 2001 and all bridges costing more than Rs. 500 lakh each completed on or after 4th December, 2001.

(iii) All four lane projects, bridges and bypasses taken up on BOT.

(c) Since most of the projects proposed for levy of user fee are under implementation, it is too early to estimate the additional income from user fee. During 2001-2002 (upto Feb. 2002), an amount of Rs. 115.58 crore was collected from user fee on National Highway projects excluding projects taken up on BOT for which user fee is retained by the entrepreneur.

(d) Toll collected on bridges is ploughed back for development of National Highways in the State.

Construction work on NH between Mohania and Sasaram

†4649. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN': Will the Minister of TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the ongoing construction work 45 kilometer stretch of National Highway in Bihar between Mohania and Sasaram has been suspended due to some reasons;

(b) if so, which authority was entrusted with the responsibility of the said construction; and

(c) the reasons for suspension of the construction work at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN..(RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) to (c) No, Sir. The construction work on 45 kilometer

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